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Franklin A. Black is a senior director of engineering and mission services for SAIC in the Defense and Civilian Sector. Black leads a diverse team of program managers and engineers in support of the Federal Aviation Administration's mission and is responsible for a team of more than 270 employees. His team generates more than \$160 million in annual revenue.

Black joined SAIC in 2019 as part of SAIC's acquisition of Engility Corp. and was a senior program manager responsible for the company's Department of Transportation and NASA account. In that role, Black was responsible managing and directing work in support of FAA on the Systems Engineering 2020 contract and the Navigation Technical Assistance Contract.

Prior to joining Engility, Black was the senior vice president of Business Development & Strategy at Oasis Systems (formerly HSI). He was also a senior director of Industry Relations at METRON Aviation (an AIRBUS Company).

Black retired from the FAA in 2015 after 28 years of civilian service. Throughout his career, he has held numerous positions and was the first African American to lead New York ARTCC as Air Traffic Manager. At the time of retirement, Black was the deputy director of Airspace Services.

Black began his aviation career as an air traffic controller at Chicago Center and was a union representative for the National Air Traffic Controllers Association (NATCA). He also served as the Regional President of the National Black Coalition of Federal Aviation Employees (NBCFAE).

Black studied Industrial Engineering at Northwestern University, holds a current PMP, and is a graduate of the Federal Executive Institute in Charlottesville, Virginia.

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